The special attention of Corporations is called to a notice issued by the Minister of the Interior, and will be found in the " By Anthority" column.

Dr. McGrew was wished many happy returns of the day by a number of his friends on Tuesday last, the occasion being his 61st birthday.

Pupils attending Mr. J. S. Emerson's "Algebra and Geometry class" are requested to meet to-morrow (Friday) evening at the Y. M. C. A. Hall at 7 g. M.

The boys who ruu the PACIFIC COMMEE-CIAL ADVERTISER are to be liberally eutertained by their "boss," Mr. Mellis, at a Christmas dinner to-day.

The Alameda will sail for San Francisco promptly at noon to-morrow, the 31st. Last chance this year to send letters.

Messrs. Dillingham & Co. advertise an invoice of carriage whips just received from New York. They are effectual persuaders, as well as ornamental.

The toys and other holiday goods sold by Lyons & Levey at the Bazaar last Monday night were numerous and varied. The quantity and quality of this class of goods increases every year.

The turkey-shoot at the Casino on Christ-

mas Day was carried on pretty much all day. The shooting was rather better than it was a week ago, and more turkeys were carried home by successful shooters. The S. S. City of New York, that used to

run between San Francisco and the Colonies, is now running to Yokohama. Her last trip over, leaving San Francisco on Oct 7th, she made the trip in 24 days.

During the recent southerly sterm the salt-laden winds sweeping over the trees at Waikiki and the Park, blasted much of the foliage, so that it looks sere and yellow. The damage done was but superficial, and will not result in the loss of the trees.

For New Years no prettier, sweeter or more toothsome gift can be found than a few of those candy-filled cornucopias that Horn has at his bakery. The nicely-frosted cake he sent to this office on Saturday last was appreciated by "the staff," and was a good sample of good goods.

Captain Morse of the steamer Alameda, was delightfully surprised by a guitar serenade on Christmas night. The performers, who turned out in full force, played for several hours, much to the gallant Captain's gratification, and were warmly entreated to come again some time when they could stay

Messrs. R. W. Laine & Co. have been appointed agents of Messrs. Dawson & Co., frait packers, San Jose, Cal., and from samples of their goods that this office has received from Mr. Laine, and tested, it is safe to say, that no better goods of the kind are to be had in town. The prices, too, are very moderate.

The suicide of Commander Greene, U. S. M., is reported from Annapolis, Md., induced, it is said, by remorse. A controversy has been going on for years in regard to the part taken by Greene while Executive Officer of the "Monitor" in her fight with the "Merrimac," he claiming the eredit of driving off the "Merrimac," which the world conceded to Capt. R. Worden.

The Bohemian glass blower, who has opened an exhibit in Cambell's Block, does some beautiful work in the fragile material he handles so dexterously. By means of a blow-pipe and a jet of flame he fashions almost anything with great skill and speed. In the room are some specimens of his workmanship, amongst which are a couple of walking-beam engines, wholly of glass, in full operation. The life-sized figure of a lady in a spun-glass costume is very handsome, and the exhibition is well worth a visit.

The test of the Harden Hand Grenade (not Grandad, as the Guide had it) took place on the Esplanade yesterday afternoon, at 2 P.M. sharp. A screen of boards about 8 feet wide and 10 feet high was set up with boards at the sides, and against this screen, which was smeared with tar, was stacked a quantity of dry wood, shavings, loose packing, etc., the whole being soaked in kerosene and daubed with tar, so that when a light was applied the whole burst into a mass of flame that drove back the crowd of spectators to a distance of thirty or forty feet. The wood burnt fiercely, and when the whole mass was fairly burning, not the oil and tar alone, but the wood itself, Mr. Myers, the agent, ran forward with a grenade in each hand and broke them against each other so close to the flame that he was somewhat scorched in doing so. The effect of the fluid with which they were filled was magical, the flames being extinguished as one would blow out a match, there being nothing left burning but a few fragments that the application of the contents of another grenade entirely quonched. The trial was a success in every particular, and was witnessed by a large number of our citizens, representatives of the Fire Department and Insurance Agencies, being prominent. All expressed their satisfaction at the working of the grenade, the remark being made by many that the efficiency of this new fire-extinguisher was much enhanced by the cleanliness of its work, there being no damage by water, no vile smells about it-nothing, in short, to offend the taste of the most fastidious.

On Sunday afternoon several Chinamen were fishing for awa and amaama, at Haaliliamanu bridge, when they were arrested by three policen.en, and locked up. What

Quite a! avy rain fall set in last Saturday night, sad for a short time the streets ran with water. All day Sunday the clouds lowered over the city and the air was damp

Dodd brought Steamer No. 2 down to the head of Kaahumanu street in fine style last Saturday behind a span of powerful horses. There should certainly be one team drilled for this special purpose.

The usual fire drill of steamers took place last Saturday afternoon, and a large quantity of water was sent into the low lying clouds. Later in the evening it all came down again in the form of a heavy shower.

A census agent complained yesterday that when he went into one man's yard to deliver a blank the householder seized him by the wrist, hauled him out of the yard and told him that if he found him in there again he would shoot him. He telephoned for instructions, and received the reply "Laissez faire."

The trial of speed between the intersland steamers Kinau and W. G. Hall demonstrated the fact that in a moderate sea and breeze the former is the fastest vessel of the two. The Kinau left Honolulu on the 23d, and made the best time on record to Maalara Bay, as follows: Light-house, Honolula, at 4:12 P. M.; off Molokai light at 6:51; Kaunakakai light at 8 P. M.; Lahaina at 9:45, dropping anchor at Maslais Bay at 10:55 P. M., beating the W. G Hall by 32 minutes, that vessel arriving at the bay at 12:20 r. M. The time of the Kinau was 6 hours 43 minutes, distance 90 miles, making an average of very nearly 14 miles per

Mr. Chas. J. Wall, the well known architect and builder, died suddenly at his residence at an early hour lest Saturday morning, of hemorrhage in the head. The deceased had been a resident of these islands about five years, coming here from the United States and engaging in business as an architect and builder. The Palace, Music Hall, and Kaumakapili Church were erected on his plans. Mr. Wall was a native of Ireland, and was 57 years of age at the time of his death. He leaves a widow and nine children to mourn his decease. The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the Rev. Alexander Mackintosh conducting the services.

The Hawaiian schooner Jennie Walker, Captain Holland, arrived on Christmas Day, 35 days from Jaluit. The following summary of her voyage is taken from the Hawaiian of yesterday: "Captain Holland reports having had fine, moderate gales the entire passage. She left here on July 25th, for Jaluit, and arrived there on the 22nd August. Thence to Kusia, and arrived there on the 27th August; landed Rev. Logan and family; left there on the 30th for Ponape, and arrived there on September 6th; sailed again from there on the 11th for Mortlock, and arrived on the 18th; sailed from there on the 25th for Ruk, and arrived on the 28th; took on board two native missionaries and child, and returned for Ponape on the 17th October, and arrived on the 24th; sailed Merritt, Vice-President; Miss Lula L. again from there on the 27th for Kusia, and arrived on 2nd November; took on board the Rev. Dr. Pease, wife and two children, Rev. Leleo and three children, and wife and daughter of Rev. Haina, chief officer Myers of the wrecked brig Morning Star, and nine of the crew, also the sails, copper, and about 7000 dried cocoanuts that was saved from the wreck; sailed from Kusia on the 7th for Jaluit. calling at Ebon, and landed mail for there, and arrived at Jaluit on the 17th left there for Honolulu on the 21st. Capt. C. B. Kustell, of the wrecked schooner Ariel, came down on her.

A Handsome Map.

Mr. M. D. Monsarrat has completed most elaborate and accurate map of Honolulu, showing every house, building, store, the lamp-posts, water hydrants, lines of piping, and every other fixture on a large scale. The original is well worth examining, and from it Mr. Monsarrat will print copies for sale. It is the most useful and accurate piece of work of its kind ever undertaken here, and will, no doubt, meet with a large sale.

The Hasselman Concert.

The Farewell Complimentary Concert given Thursday night in the Y.M.C.A. Hall to Mr. Chas. Hasselman prior to his departure for the Colonies was well attended, and was by far the best yet rendered by the Symphony Club and other amateur musical talent of Honolulu.

Mr. Hasselman himself was in fine voice, and sang with great sweetness and feeling. The brief space at our disposal in this issue precludes the extended notice the performance deserves, and we can only speak of the vocal gem of the evening being the duct between M.ss Bernice Parke and Mr. Hasselman. Miss Castle's piano playing was especially good, and, in fact, the performers all did well. Mr. Hasselman may well be proud of the concert, to which his own singing added much.

Charade.

My First connects friends by the subtlest of ties : By a magnetic current as fine

As the soul-thrilling glance sent by love-laden And as swift as the light, as earthward it flies From the stars in the heavens as they shine.

My Second sits night and day in his snug chair Night and day in his chair sits he: And he hears all that's sent through the voiceless

On the iron nerves stretched o'er the town every-From Palama to warm Waikiki,

My third is to business alone consecrate. And over its door should be written: "He who ventures within with intention to prate. Having no other business, had better vacate. Or else with a club he'll be smitten,"

My Whole is a new Dionysian Cell, V'herein every whisper is neard By my Second, who many a story could tell That would cause the lean souls of our gessips to

But from him you can't get a word !

Probable loss of the "Kaluna."

Mr. W. H. Hall has received a letter from Rev. P. Kanoa, writing from Butaritari, (Makins) Island, Gilbert group, under date of Oct. 30th, in which he says that he hears that the schooner "Kaluna," Capt. Lovell, has been wrecked on Mukunoa (or Byron's) island, and gone to pieces. This is the same island that the "Julia" was wrecked upon, and the "Kaluna" is the vessel that touched there and took off Capt. Tripp and crew.

The Printers Not Forgetten.

Once more the employees of the P. C ADVERTISER are the recipients of a splendid box of fruit from the enterprising firm of Sresovich, Gray & Co., through the courtesy of their gentlemanly and well-known manager, Mr. Z. K. Myers. This firm is still young in existence in Honolulu, but their reputation for strict and honorable dealing is second to none. Their stock of goods is complete in every respect, and parties desirous of purchasing any of the staples or delicacies of the season will do well to give them a call. Their place of business is No. 73 Hotel street, where will be found attentive and careful clerks, and all goods will be delivered free of charge.

The Teachers' Convention.

A number of the teachers employed in ou Public Schools met yesterday in annual convention in the Y. M. C. A. Hall. Mr. M. M. Scott, Principal of the Fort Street School and President of the Association, presided, and Miss Lula L. Moore, the Secretary, read the report. The President addressed the members present, discussing the results following the expending of public monies on the schools. He advocated a more thorough education of deserving pupils in the higher

Rev. Mr. Mackintosh, who has in charge the preparation of a new geography, asked the assistance of his fellow-teachers in the work of revising during the coming year. Election of officers being in order, the following were chosen for the coming year: H. S. Townsend, President; Rev. W. C. Moore (re-elected), Secretary.

Upon the suggestion contained in a letter from Mr. Hitchcock, Principal of Lahaina luna Seminary (who apologised for his unavoidable absence), a committee consisting of Mr. Olesen, Dr. Hyde, and Miss Hardy, was appointed to prepare resolutions for discussion.

An interesting address by Mr. Moore teacher at Wailuku, on the subject: "The reaching of English o Hawaiians," was delivered. This proved to be the most interesting portion of the day's proceedings, and it is to be regretted that more of those who are employed to teach the Hawaiians English were not present. As a contemporary very shrewdly remarks, "It is impossible that the teachers present" (and we will add the absentees as well) "should not be benefited by the ideas elicited in the lecture and discussion."

More Mystery!

| After the style of the Hawaiian. |

"The (so-called) Minister of the Interior (heaven save the mark!) has at last advertised for bids for the constructing of reservoirs, dams, etc., for the storage and distribution of water for Honolulu.

"There are two or three points displayed in the advertisement in question which betray the narrow-minded, incapable, secondrate-bookkeeper's-clerk calibre of mind of the individual who occupies the post of Minister of the Interior.

"First, he calls for 'sealed' tenders. There sticks out the secretive, keep-em-allin-the dark, hole-and-corner policy of the present Administration. 'Sealed' tenders forsooth! Why couldn't he come out (as we would if we were in his place), and with a speaking trumpet in his hand, mount-so to speak-the quarter deck, and make his wishes known ship-shape and man-fashion?

"Another point is this: The Minister of the Interior holds back this advertisement until the rains have ceased! Can anyone believe now that he is not as completely under the control of the Foreign Office as

again, he requires 'bonds' to be given for the faithful execution of the work! What is this but an acknowledgement of the deep feeling of distrust, the ever-widening breach that exists between the Government and the people. Why could he not de as previous Administrations have done, and let this work to some honest ring without exacting these humiliating terms? But, we don't suppose he will, so we wash our hands of the whole affair, pipe all hands below, and turn

Installation of Officers of Hawatian Lodge No. 21, F. & A. M.

The officers for the ensuing Masonic year were duly installed by P. M. Jno. H. Hassinger, assisted by P. M. Geo. E. Howe, last Saturday. Present, about 40 brethren, Officers for the ensuing year:

Robt. More, W. M. James H. Boyd, S. W. Thos. Hughes, J. W. Wm. Johnson, Secretary.

Malcolm Brown, Treasurer. W. C. Parke, Marshal.

J. H. Bruns and J. H. Smithies, Stewards. J. C. White, Tyler.

After installation, the retiring W. M., T. C. Porter, was presented, on behalf of the officers and members of Hawaiian Lodge, with a Past haster's jewel of rare beauty and workmanship. Brother P. M. Hassinger made a very neat presentation speech, which was responded to by Bro. W. M., Porter in like manner. W. M. More then invited all present to adjourn to the Hawaiian Hotel to partake of an elegant repast given for this occasion by the incoming officers, about 35 members partaking. The following were the toasts:

The Grand Lodge of California responded

to by P. M. Hassinger. The retiring Master responded to by Bro. T. C. Porter.

Past Master of Hawaiian Lodge responded to by P. M., G. E. Howe.

The retiring officers responded to by Bro.

Our visiting brethren responded to by Bro. S. Green and Dr. Tucker.

Our Bro. King Kalakaua responded to by Bro. J. H. Boyd.

Our Sister Lodge le Progres responded to

by Bro. J. A Hassinger. Our Baby member responded to by Bro.

John Phillips. (The Tylers Toast. "To all poor and dis-

tressed brethren wheresoever dispersed around the globe," was then drank in

The speeches and toasts were interspersed with several songs rendered in fine style by Bro. Eugene Brown, assisted by W. M. More. Other and minor toasts were drank and responded to humorously by Bros. Fishbourne, Hughes and Tucker. The menu was both varied and elegant, and the table decorated profusely with choice flowers. Broke up about 10:45, with "Auld Lang Syne," all joining hands.

On the same evening (Saint John's Day) the Installation of officers of the Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie, A. F. & A. M. was held in the Lodge room on King street. There was fair attendance of the brethren present. After the usual business of the Lodge the installation of officers took place, the Installing Master being Pastmaster Dayton, working under the Scottish Rite. The following are the officers installed to act during the year:

J. A. Spear, W. M. W. Davie, S W.

Jas. Dodd, J. W.

J. Simmons, Secretary.

Ph. Opfergelt, Treasurer.

P. M., J. O. Dominis, Orator. P. O'Sullivan, S. D.

L. Troussaint, J. D. N. Clifford, Tyler.

After the installation there was a presentation, on behalf of the Lodge, of a Past Master's jewel to P. M. Bro. Dayton. The presentation was made by the retiring Master, P. M. Bro. F. Higgins, who, in a few appropriate words, requested Bro. Dayton's acceptance of the jewel. The recipient was quite taken by surprise, but he replied in a few feeling words, and thanked the brethren for their very kind and haadsome gift. The Lodge was then closed in the usual form.

Calendar for the January Term, Supreme Court.

CRIMINAL CASES FOR HAWAIIAN JURY. The King vs H Aea; gross cheat. The

Attorney-General for the Crown. The King vs Akiona; perjury. The Attorney-General for the Crown; John Russell for

defendant. CIVIL CASES FOR HAWAIIAN JURY.

Kaawihi vs Noa; ejectment. AS Hartwell for plaintiff; E Preston for defendant. J H Makole et al vs Lubilea; ejectment. A Rosa for plaintiffs; J L Kaulukou for de-

J Paaluhi et ai vs S Kamaholo et al; ejectment. W R Castle for plaintiff; Kinney & Peterson for defendants.

Kumuhonua vs Kohiana et al; ejectment. Kinney & Peterson for plaintiffs.

N Holi et al vs P F Koahanu; covenant and case. Kinney & Peterson for plaintiffs. ever his colleagues were? And then Laawihi vs Mary S Rose; ejectment. A S jury.

Hartwell for plaintiff; E Preston for de-

Mary S Rose vs Henry Smith; ejectment. E Preston for plaintiff; A & Hartwell for de-

CASES FOR MIXED JURY.

Kahai et al vs Annie K W Haines et al; ejectment. S B Dole for plaintiffs; Kinney & Peterson for defendants.

Bernice P Bishop et al vs Lokana et al; trespass. F M Hatch for plaintiffs; E Preston and W A Whiting for defendants.

Mokuhia vs Wm McCandless; assumpsit; S L Kaulukou for plaintiff; F M Hatch for defendant. Lono (w) et al vs M Phillips & Co; eject-

ment. Kinney & Peterson for plaintiffs; R F Bickerton for defendant. Stephen Spencer vs Kimo Kaai; assumpsit.

E Preston for plaintiff. Wainee Bell vs Mele Anderson; ejectment,

Kinney & Peterson for plaintiff; A S Hartwell for defendant.

C J Fishel vs S C Luhiau: assumpsit. R F Bickerton for plaintiff.

D W Luha et al vs A Ferdandez, Jr; trespass and trover. Ashford, Kinney & Peterson for plaintiffs.

CRIMINAL CASES FOR FOREIGN JURY.

The King vs Hiram A Bridges; manslaughter, 1st degree. The Attorney-General for the Crown; W R Castle for defend-

The King vs Joe Miguel; larceny 1st degree. The Attorney-General for the Crown; J Russell for defendant.

The King vs C H Tierney; kidnapping. The Attorney-General for the Crown; AS Hartwell for defendant.

The King vs F G Pond; gross cheat. The Attorney-General for the Crown; H E Avery for defendant. The King vs Frank Muller; perjury. The

Attorney-General for the Crown. The King vs Wong Kan; counterfeiting.

The Attorney-General for the Crown. The King vs Chang Chew & Le Quai; assault and battery. A S Hartwell for the

The King vs Le Quai; using threatening language. A S Hartwell for the Crown.

CIVIL CASES FOR FOREIGN JUBY.

M S Grinbaum & Co vs Sun Wo & Co; assumpsit. Kinney and Peterson for plain-

Akiona vs Kohala Sugar Co; case. A 8 Hartwell for plaintiff: W R Castle for de-

Kohala Sugar Co vs Thompson Brothers; ejectment. W R Castle for plaintiff; A S Hartwell for defendants. John Bryant vs G W Macfarlane & Co;

assumpsit. A S Hartwell for plaintiff. Wilder & Co vs C J Wall et al; assumpsit. C W Ashford for plaintiffs.

R A Macfie vs H Hackfeld & Co; assumpsit. F M Hatch for plaintiff.

Un Wong vs Kan Chu; assumpsit. Kinney & Peterson for plaintiffs ; A 8 Hartwell for defendant.

J C Merrill & Co vs A Jaeger; assumpsit. SB Dole for plaintiffs. Anin et al vs Goo Kim; trespass. FM

Hatch for plaintiffs. C Brewer & Co vs G H Luce; assumpsit. W R Castle for plaintiffs.

BANCO CASES.

M de Gonveia vs L Loka; exceptions at July term. C Brown for plaintiff, appellant; J L Kaulukou for defendant.

Kaimiola et al vs Beni et al ; exceptions at October term. A S Hartwell for plaintiffs, appellants; Kinney and Peterson for defendants. Mele Holelua et al vs Keoni Kapu et al ;

exceptions at October term. E Preston for

plaintiffs; Kinney and Peterson for defendants, appellants. W C Achi vs Kauwa et al; exceptions at October term. W R Castle for plaintiff,

appellant ; F M Hatch for defendants. William Mutch et al vs Holau et al; equity appeal. S B Dole for plaintiffs. Estate of Kaio; probate appeal. 8 B Dole for respondent; W L Holokahiki for

contestant. Puhi et al vs Kaulana et al ; exceptions at October term. W R Castle for plaintiffs; Holokahiki and Poepoe for defendants, ap-

Estate of Mrs. Bernice Pauahi Bishop; probate appeal. F M Hatch for respondents;

G B Kalaaukane for contestants. H Riemenschneider vs S B Dole; exceptions at October term. W R Castle for plaintiffs: defendant, in person, appellant.

DIVORCES.

Piliako (k) vs Hana (w). Kinney and Peterson for plaintiff. Pololu (w) vs Kaiwi (k). J L Kaulukou

for plaintiff. Maria Kamohai vs Alina (Ch.). W L Holokahiki for plaintiff.

Aaiki (w) vs Kaliula (k). W L Holo kahiki for plaintiff.

John Kuaana vs Mary Kaae. Kinney and Peterson for plaintiff.

Supreme Court.

On Friday, Judge Austin presided over the Intermediary Court. Four cases of appeals from the Police Court were dealt with, two being withdrawn, and and two going to a